LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
MASSACHUSETTS CITIES AND TOWNS

FEBRUARY 1988

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
ABINGTON	7,537	7,250	287	3.8
ACTON	10,067	9,885	182	1.8
ACUSHNET	4,994	4,747	247	4.9
ADAMS	5,397	5,062	335	6.2
AGAWAM	14,443	14,040	403	2.8
ALFORD	239	226	13	5.4
AMESBURY	7,334	6,999	335	4.6
AMHERST	18,948	18,587	361	1.9
ANDOVER	13,825	13,468	357	2.6
ARLINGTON	26,275	25,722	553	2.1
ASHBURNHAM	2,326	2,218	108	4.6
ASHBY	1,227	1,171	56	4.6
ASHFIELD	903	867	36	4.0
ASHLAND	7,136	6,884	252	3.5
ATHOL	4,473	4,129	344	7.7
ATTLEBORO	18,481	17,381	1,100	6.0
AUBURN	8,529	8,313	216	2.5
AVON	2,861	2,736	125	4.4
AYER	3,505	3,399	106	3.0
BARNSTABLE	18,501	17,343	1,158	6.3
BARRE	2,325	2,220	105	4.5
BECKET	746	705	41	5.5
BEDFORD	6,785	6,664	121	1.8
BELCHERTOWN	4,822	4,672	150	3.1
BELLINGHAM	8,083	7,254	829	10.3
BELMONT	14,004	13,767	237	1.7
BERKLEY	1,767	1,699	68	3.8
BERLIN	1,302	1,242	60	4.6
BERNARDSTON	1,043	976	67	6.4
BEVERLY	21,901	21,313	588	2.7
BILLERICA	22,482	21,751	731	3.3
BLACKSTONE	3,547	3,177	370	10.4
BLANDFORD	566	551	15	2.7
BOLTON	1,669	1,611	58	3.5
BOSTON	298,908	288,796	10,112	3.4
BOURNE	6,736	6,409	327	4.9
BOXBOROUGH	2,054	2,014	40	1.9
BOXFORD	3,012	2,958	54	1.8
BOYLSTON	2,136	2,071	65	3.0
BRAINTREE	19,100	18,607	493	2.6
BREWSTER	3,105	2,960	145	4.7
BRIDGEWATER	9,372	9,026	346	3.7
BRIMFIELD	1,264	1,196	68	5.4
BROCKTON	48,018	45,783	2,235	4.7
BROOKFIELD	1,494	1,439	55	3.7
BROOKLINE	32,043	31,493	550	1.7
BUCKLAND	991	980	11	1.1
BURLINGTON	13,661	13,320	341	2.5
CAMBRIDGE	53,960	52,657	1,303	2.4
CANTON	10,273	9,999	274	2.7
CARLISLE	2,232	2,192	40	1.8
CARVER	4,665	4,435	230	4.9
CHARLEMONT	659	630	29	4.4
CHARLTON	4,220	4,027	193	4.6
CHATHAM	2,915	2,768	147	5.0
CHELMSFORD	19,188	18,704	484	2.5
CHELSEA	11,538	11,011	527	4.6
CHESHIRE	1,694	1,607	87	5.1
CHESTER	544	511	33	6.1
CHESTERFIELD	609	580	29	4.8
CHICOPEE	29,232	28,076	1,156	4.0
CHILMARK	321	313	8	2.5
CLARKSBURG	1,004	981	23	2.3
CLINTON	6,762	6,481	281	4.2
COHASSET	3,890	3,743	147	3.8
COLRAIN	878	851	27	3.1
CONCORD	9,149	9,008	141	1.5
CONWAY	832	806	26	3.1
CUMMINGTON	399	383	16	4.0
DALTON	3,305	3,141	164	5.0
DANVERS	14,239	13,924	315	2.2
DARTMOUTH	13,444	12,710	734	5.5
DEDHAM	13,550	13,158	392	2.9
DEERFIELD	2,887	2,791	96	3.3
DENNIS	6,322	5,904	418	6.6
DIGHTON	2,726	2,611	115	4.2
DOUGLAS	2,384	2,273	111	4.7
DOVER	2,431	2,402	29	1.2
DRACUT	14,866	14,348	518	3.5
DUDLEY	5,020	4,832	188	3.7
DUNSTABLE	1,224	1,192	32	2.6
DUXBURY	6,722	6,585	137	2.0
EAST BRIDGEWATER	5,298	5,136	162	3.1
EAST BROOKFIELD	959	926	33	3.4
EAST LONGMEADOW	6,374	6,230	144	2.3
EASTHAM	2,152	2,011	141	6.6
EASTHAMPTON	8,827	8,547	280	3.2
EASTON	10,775	10,470	305	2.8
EDGARTOWN	1,611	1,483	128	7.9
EGREMONT	817	798	19	2.3
ERVING	560	541	19	3.4
ESSEX	1,730	1,642	88	5.1
EVERETT	18,787	18,009	778	4.1
FAIRHAVEN	7,716	7,320	396	5.1
FALL RIVER	42,980	39,264	3,716	8.6
FALMOUTH	12,582	11,953	629	5.0
FITCHBURG	17,820	16,972	848	4.8
FLORIDA	377	357	20	5.3
FOXBOROUGH	8,068	7,893	175	2.2
FRAMINGHAM	39,749	38,136	1,613	4.1
FRANKLIN	10,135	9,773	362	3.6
FREETOWN	4,110	3,911	199	4.8
GARDNER	8,236	7,867	369	4.5
GAY HEAD	96	90	6	6.3
GEORGETOWN	3,069	2,979	90	2.9
GILL	749	741	8	1.1
GLOUCESTER	16,009	14,508	1,501	9.4
GOSHEN	416	403	13	3.1
GOSNOLD	26	26	0	0.0
GRAFTON	6,854	6,676	178	2.6
GRANBY	2,874	2,752	122	4.2
GRANVILLE	677	657	20	3.0
GREAT BARRINGTON	4,007	3,830	177	4.4
GREENFIELD	9,627	9,295	332	3.4
GROTON	3,860	3,791	69	1.8
GROVELAND	2,706	2,608	98	3.6
HADLEY	2,990	2,825	165	5.5
HALIFAX	2,927	2,804	123	4.2
HAMILTON	4,089	4,007	82	2.0
HAMPDEN	2,282	2,203	79	3.5
HANCOCK	343	335	8	2.3
HANOVER	6,089	5,914	175	2.9
HANSON	4,418	4,250	168	3.8
HARDWICK	929	865	64	6.9
HARVARD	3,436	3,376	60	1.7
HARWICH	4,319	4,072	247	5.7
HATFIELD	2,218	2,032	186	8.4
HAVERHILL	23,347	22,351	996	4.3
HAWLEY	190	186	4	2.1
HEATH	303	294	9	3.0
HINGHAM	10,091	9,877	214	2.1
HINSDALE	879	795	84	9.6
HOLBROOK	6,153	5,946	207	3.4
HOLDEN	7,591	7,463	128	1.7
HOLLAND	794	770	24	3.0
HOLLISTON	7,484	7,281	203	2.7
HOLYOKE	18,052	17,164	888	4.9
HOPEDALE	2,092	1,988	104	5.0
HOPKINTON	4,986	4,820	166	3.3
HUBBARDSTON	902	839	63	7.0
HUDSON	10,598	10,196	402	3.8
HULL	4,722	4,480	242	5.1
HUNTINGTON	912	883	29	3.2
IPSWICH	6,722	6,546	176	2.6
KINGSTON	4,300	4,108	192	4.5
LAKEVILLE	3,629	3,524	105	2.9
LANCASTER	3,184	3,110	74	2.3
LANESBOROUGH	1,613	1,535	78	4.8
LAWRENCE	29,060	27,043	2,017	6.9
LEE	2,980	2,820	160	5.4
LEICESTER	5,222	5,073	149	2.9
LENOX	3,308	3,214	94	2.8
LEOMINSTER	16,633	15,918	715	4.3
LEVERETT	1,113	1,066	47	4.2
LEXINGTON	16,590	16,388	202	1.2
LEYDEN	368	353	15	4.1
LINCOLN	3,490	3,441	49	1.4
LITTLETON	4,101	4,019	82	2.0
LONGMEADOW	7,737	7,640	97	1.3
LOWELL	52,162	49,925	2,237	4.3
LUDLOW	10,667	10,049	618	5.8
LUNENBURG	4,268	4,145	123	2.9
LYNN	40,056	38,192	1,864	4.7
LYNNFIELD	6,122	5,982	140	2.3

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MALDEN	28,830	27,789	1,041	3.6
MANCHESTER	2,871	2,792	79	2.8
MANSFIELD	8,291	8,095	196	2.4
MARBLEHEAD	11,410	11,191	219	1.9
MARION	1,970	1,874	96	4.9
MARLBOROUGH	18,846	18,223	623	3.3
MARSHFIELD	11,780	11,400	380	3.2
MASHPEE	3,155	2,994	161	5.1
MATTAPOISETT	3,069	2,957	112	3.6
MAYNARD	5,772	5,561	211	3.7
MEDFIELD	5,556	5,455	101	1.8
MEDFORD	30,763	29,876	887	2.9
MEDWAY	5,135	4,979	156	3.0
MELROSE	15,787	15,378	409	2.6
MENDON	1,922	1,834	88	4.6
MERRIMAC	2,472	2,338	134	5.4
METHUEN	21,239	20,471	768	3.6
MIDDLEBOROUGH	8,258	7,854	404	4.9
MIDDLEFIELD	193	179	14	7.3
MIDDLETON	2,911	2,822	89	3.1
MILFORD	13,623	12,807	816	6.0
MILLBURY	6,357	6,141	216	3.4
MILLIS	4,025	3,879	146	3.6
MILLVILLE	1,003	900	103	10.3
MILTON	13,025	12,734	291	2.2
MONROE	69	59	10	14.5
MONSON	3,655	3,509	146	4.0
MONTAGUE	4,405	4,210	195	4.4
MONTEREY	601	587	14	2.3
MONTGOMERY	307	305	2	0.7
MOUNT WASHINGTON	76	74	2	2.6
NAHANT	2,198	2,139	59	2.7
NANTUCKET	3,728	3,607	121	3.2
NATICK	18,076	17,640	436	2.4
NEEDHAM	15,166	14,927	239	1.6
NEW ASHFORD	105	100	5	4.8
NEW BEDFORD	46,611	42,850	3,761	8.1
NEW BRAINTREE	306	295	11	3.6
NEW MARLBOROUGH	747	735	12	1.6
NEW SALEM	384	368	16	4.2
NEWBURY	2,671	2,564	107	4.0
NEWBURYPORT	8,803	8,456	347	3.9
NEWTON	47,855	46,946	909	1.9
NORFOLK	3,630	3,546	84	2.3
NORTH ADAMS	8,654	8,121	533	6.2
NORTH ANDOVER	11,231	10,958	273	2.4
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH	12,218	11,613	605	5.0
NORTH BROOKFIELD	2,194	2,110	84	3.8
NORTH READING	6,904	6,711	193	2.8
NORTHAMPTON	14,412	14,006	406	2.8
NORTHBOROUGH	6,390	6,247	143	2.2
NORTHBRIDGE	6,652	6,408	244	3.7
NORTHFIELD	1,356	1,328	28	2.1
NORTON	7,576	7,323	253	3.3
NORWELL	4,865	4,738	127	2.6
NORWOOD	16,910	16,279	631	3.7
OAK BLUFFS	1,046	972	74	7.1
OAKHAM	517	501	16	3.1
ORANGE	2,764	2,606	158	5.7
ORLEANS	2,734	2,601	133	4.9
OTIS	472	430	42	8.9
OXFORD	6,521	6,244	277	4.2
PALMER	6,293	6,060	233	3.7
PAXTON	2,191	2,160	31	1.4
PEABODY	27,158	26,345	813	3.0
PELHAM	920	885	35	3.8
PEMBROKE	7,420	7,181	239	3.2
PEPPERELL	5,281	5,126	155	2.9
PERU	391	375	16	4.1
PETERSHAM	432	421	11	2.5
PHILLIPSTON	485	444	41	8.5
PITTSFIELD	24,492	23,142	1,350	5.5
PLAINFIELD	217	197	20	9.2
PLAINVILLE	3,332	3,001	331	9.9
PLYMOUTH	19,229	18,303	926	4.8
PLYMPTON	1,141	1,095	46	4.0
PRINCETON	1,679	1,653	26	1.5
PROVINCETOWN	2,785	1,821	964	34.6
QUINCY	46,639	45,000	1,639	3.5

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RANDOLPH	16,386	15,884	502	3.1
RAYNHAM	5,193	4,997	196	3.8
READING	13,011	12,750	261	2.0
REHOBOTH	4,285	4,021	264	6.2
REVERE	22,792	21,934	858	3.8
RICHMOND	854	826	28	3.3
ROCHESTER	1,911	1,848	63	3.3
ROCKLAND	7,865	7,578	287	3.6
ROCKPORT	3,383	3,119	264	7.8
ROWE	189	176	13	6.9
ROWLEY	2,662	2,570	92	3.5
ROYALSTON	441	417	24	5.4
RUSSELL	775	760	15	1.9
RUTLAND	2,446	2,383	63	2.6
SALEM	21,932	21,192	740	3.4
SALISBURY	3,616	3,325	291	8.0
SANDISFIELD	395	384	11	2.8
SANDWICH	6,258	6,015	243	3.9
SAUGUS	14,575	14,110	465	3.2
SAVOY	431	354	77	17.9
SCITUATE	9,011	8,812	199	2.2
SEEKONK	6,429	6,230	199	3.1
SHARON	8,219	8,061	158	1.9
SHEFFIELD	1,572	1,522	50	3.2
SHELBURNE	1,045	975	70	6.7
SHERBORN	2,178	2,142	36	1.7
SHIRLEY	2,796	2,713	83	3.0
SHREWSBURY	12,944	12,658	286	2.2
SHUTESBURY	889	850	39	4.4
SOMERSET	9,666	9,247	419	4.3
SOMERVILLE	40,341	39,087	1,254	3.1
SOUTH HADLEY	8,789	8,546	243	2.8
SOUTHAMPTON	2,405	2,325	80	3.3
SOUTHBOROUGH	3,653	3,552	101	2.8
SOUTHBRIDGE	7,536	7,096	440	5.8
SOUTHWICK	4,131	4,005	126	3.1
SPENCER	6,045	5,821	224	3.7
SPRINGFIELD	67,835	64,723	3,112	4.6
STERLING	3,642	3,551	91	2.5
STOCKBRIDGE	1,289	1,252	37	2.9
STONEHAM	12,778	12,479	299	2.3
STOUGHTON	15,035	14,576	459	3.1
STOW	3,164	3,085	79	2.5
STURBRIDGE	3,456	3,295	161	4.7
SUDBURY	7,598	7,454	144	1.9
SUNDERLAND	2,300	2,182	118	5.1
SUTTON	3,376	3,289	87	2.6
SWAMPSCOTT	7,658	7,442	216	2.8
SWANSEA	8,077	7,716	361	4.5
TAUNTON	22,717	21,557	1,160	5.1
TEMPLETON	2,576	2,419	157	6.1
TEWKSBURY	14,932	14,456	476	3.2
TISBURY	1,836	1,749	87	4.7
TOLLAND	137	130	7	5.1
TOPSFIELD	3,022	2,958	64	2.1
TOWNSEND	4,467	4,375	92	2.1
TRURO	665	545	120	18.0
TYNGSBOROUGH	4,721	4,584	137	2.9
TYRINGHAM	225	223	2	0.9
UPTON	2,372	2,274	98	4.1
UXBRIDGE	4,777	4,580	197	4.1
WAKEFIELD	14,371	13,910	461	3.2
WALES	598	577	21	3.5
WALPOLE	10,902	10,462	440	4.0
WALTHAM	33,724	32,819	905	2.7
WARE	3,783	3,555	228	6.0
WAREHAM	9,022	8,341	681	7.5
WARREN	1,480	1,377	103	7.0
WARWICK	225	214	11	4.9
WASHINGTON	293	282	11	3.8
WATERTOWN	20,150	19,660	490	2.4
WAYLAND	6,990	6,880	110	1.6
WEBSTER	7,814	7,415	399	5.1
WELLESLEY	13,986	13,818	168	1.2
WELLFLEET	1,132	1,000	132	11.7
WENDELL	376	355	21	5.6
WENHAM	2,116	2,082	34	1.6
WEST BOYLSTON	3,365	3,288	77	2.3
WEST BRIDGEWATER	3,427	3,312	115	3.4

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WEST BROOKFIELD	1,356	1,283	73	5.4
WEST NEWBURY	1,622	1,566	56	3.5
WEST SPRINGFIELD	14,681	14,209	472	3.2
WEST STOCKBRIDGE	760	727	33	4.3
WEST TISBURY	682	677	5	0.7
WESTBOROUGH	7,909	7,748	161	2.0
WESTFIELD	18,469	17,883	586	3.2
WESTFORD	8,849	8,627	222	2.5
WESTHAMPTON	743	726	17	2.3
WESTMINSTER	2,675	2,554	121	4.5
WESTON	5,707	5,655	52	0.9
WESTPORT	6,949	6,561	388	5.6
WESTWOOD	6,943	6,826	117	1.7
WEYMOUTH	30,671	29,664	1,007	3.3
WHATELY	943	900	43	4.6
WHITMAN	7,211	6,935	276	3.8
WILBRAHAM	6,365	6,240	125	2.0
WILLIAMSBURG	1,399	1,346	53	3.8
WILLIAMSTOWN	4,260	4,200	60	1.4
WILMINGTON	9,470	9,160	310	3.3
WINCHENDON	3,200	3,042	158	4.9
WINCHESTER	10,954	10,723	231	2.1
WINDSOR	349	312	37	10.6
WINTHROP	10,763	10,457	306	2.8
WOBURN	22,235	21,611	624	2.8
WORCESTER	81,111	77,869	3,242	4.0
WORTHINGTON	587	563	24	4.1
WRENTHAM	3,969	3,795	174	4.4
YARMOUTH	8,746	8,260	486	5.6

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	INITIAL CLAIMS			CONTINUED CLAIMS[2]		
	FEB 88	JAN 88	FEB 87	FEB 88	JAN 88	FEB 87
MASSACHUSETTS	8,528	6,888	8,304	72,785	69,518	70,641
MAJOR LABOR AREAS						
BOSTON PMSA	2,161	3,263	2,230	27,148	26,078	24,966
BROCKTON PMSA	184	270	184	2,182	2,120	2,099
FALL RIVER PMSA[3]	392	676	462	3,991	4,117	4,157
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER MSA	85	178	102	1,195	1,196	1,362
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL PMSA[4]	402	486	452	3,743	3,616	3,716
LOWELL PMSA[4]	206	439	237	2,667	2,675	3,108
NEW BEDFORD MSA	409	572	472	3,951	3,986	4,265
PITTSFIELD MSA	85	161	75	1,332	1,297	1,088
SPRINFIELD MSA	293	373	434	3,301	3,144	3,281
SALEM-GLOUCESTER PMSA	487	807	580	5,639	5,368	5,868
WORCESTER MSA	369	524	350	4,560	4,405	4,186
OTHER LABOR AREAS						
AMHERST LMA	35	37	26	268	235	249
ATHOL LMA	19	60	27	420	411	386
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	237	482	311	4,311	4,110	3,857
BALANCE OF WESTERN MA EA	17	36	19	246	226	212
DUKES COUNTY LMA	5	26	11	199	208	222
GARDNER LMA	38	85	55	448	455	611
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	11	23	11	208	195	190
GREENFIELD LMA	50	80	77	602	594	570
NANTUCKET LMA	5	14	4	83	79	75
NORTH ADAMS LMA	68	96	101	730	675	728
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	32	66	40	437	419	404
TAUNTON LMA	83	242	110	896	1,066	980
WARE LMA	37	43	23	430	316	281

1 - Week that includes the 12th
2 - Includes regular compensation not extended compensation
3 - Includes Rhode Island residents of PMSA
4 - Includes New Hampshire residents of PMSA

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ABINGTON	7,474	7,197	277	3.7
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ACUSHNET	5,075	4,795	280	5.5
ADAMS	5,293	4,996	297	5.6
AGAWAM	14,558	14,125	433	3.0
ALFORD	243	229	14	5.8
AMESBURY	7,352	7,017	335	4.6
AMHERST	18,625	18,274	351	1.9
ANDOVER	13,836	13,502	334	2.4
ARLINGTON	26,251	25,732	519	2.0
ASHBURNHAM	2,332	2,225	107	4.6
ASHBY	1,228	1,175	53	4.3
ASHFIELD	911	874	37	4.1
ASHLAND	7,149	6,886	263	3.7
ATHOL	4,443	4,078	365	8.2
ATTLEBORO	18,130	17,079	1,051	5.8
AUBURN	8,527	8,307	220	2.6
AVON	2,832	2,716	116	4.1
AYER	3,513	3,400	113	3.2
BARNSTABLE	18,443	17,513	930	5.0
BARRE	2,334	2,219	115	4.9
BECKET	743	711	32	4.3
BEDFORD	6,795	6,667	128	1.9
BELCHERTOWN	4,848	4,701	147	3.0
BELLINGHAM	8,168	7,257	911	11.2
BELMONT	14,015	13,773	242	1.7
BERKLEY	1,797	1,721	76	4.2
BERLIN	1,303	1,243	60	4.6
BERNARDSTON	1,065	984	81	7.6
BEVERLY	22,154	21,546	608	2.7
BILLERICA	22,411	21,611	800	3.6
BLACKSTONE	3,458	3,121	337	9.7
BLANDFORD	576	556	20	3.5
BOLTON	1,675	1,611	64	3.8
BOSTON	298,880	288,910	9,970	3.3
BOURNE	6,782	6,472	310	4.6
BOXBOROUGH	2,054	2,014	40	1.9
BOXFORD	3,019	2,966	53	1.8
BOYLSTON	2,140	2,069	71	3.3
BRAINTREE	19,082	18,614	468	2.5
BREWSTER	3,145	2,989	156	5.0
BRIDGEWATER	9,335	8,959	376	4.0
BRIMFIELD	1,256	1,193	63	5.0
BROCKTON	47,710	45,445	2,265	4.7
BROOKFIELD	1,494	1,438	56	3.7
BROOKLINE	32,046	31,506	540	1.7
BUCKLAND	999	988	11	1.1
BURLINGTON	13,649	13,325	324	2.4
CAMBRIDGE	53,985	52,678	1,307	2.4
CANTON	10,308	10,003	305	3.0
CARLISLE	2,231	2,193	38	1.7
CARVER	4,659	4,437	222	4.8
CHARLEMONT	657	635	22	3.3
CHARLTON	4,218	4,024	194	4.6
CHATHAM	2,930	2,795	135	4.6
CHELMSFORD	19,108	18,584	524	2.7
CHELSEA	11,530	11,015	515	4.5
CHESHIRE	1,714	1,624	90	5.3
CHESTER	559	516	43	7.7
CHESTERFIELD	614	585	29	4.7
CHICOPEE	29,415	28,245	1,170	4.0
CHILMARK	327	319	8	2.4
CLARKSBURG	984	968	16	1.6
CLINTON	6,744	6,476	268	4.0
COHASSET	3,884	3,744	140	3.6
COLRAIN	893	858	35	3.9
CONCORD	9,153	9,012	141	1.5
CONWAY	839	812	27	3.2
CUMMINGTON	405	387	18	4.4
DALTON	3,329	3,173	156	4.7
DANVERS	14,397	14,076	321	2.2
DARTMOUTH	13,562	12,838	724	5.3
DEDHAM	13,581	13,163	418	3.1
DEERFIELD	2,911	2,814	97	3.3
DENNIS	6,344	5,962	382	6.0
DIGHTON	2,772	2,645	127	4.6
DOUGLAS	2,392	2,272	120	5.0
DOVER	2,433	2,403	30	1.2
DRACUT	14,868	14,256	612	4.1
DUDLEY	5,031	4,829	202	4.0
DUNSTABLE	1,220	1,185	35	2.9
DUXBURY	6,735	6,587	148	2.2

NOTE: By place of residence, not comparable to nonagricultural wage and salary employment

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
EAST BRIDGEWATER	5,271	5,098	173	3.3
EAST BROOKFIELD	961	925	36	3.7
EAST LONGMEADOW	6,426	6,267	159	2.5
EASTHAM	2,160	2,031	129	6.0
EASTHAMPTON	8,870	8,599	271	3.1
EASTON	10,714	10,392	322	3.0
EDGARTOWN	1,651	1,510	141	8.5
EGREMONT	828	808	20	2.4
ERVING	553	534	19	3.4
ESSEX	1,745	1,660	85	4.9
EVERETT	18,787	18,016	771	4.1
FAIRHAVEN	7,769	7,394	375	4.8
FALL RIVER	43,329	39,594	3,735	8.6
FALMOUTH	12,726	12,070	656	5.2
FITCHBURG	17,973	17,030	943	5.2
FLORIDA	371	353	18	4.9
FOXBOROUGH	8,092	7,896	196	2.4
FRAMINGHAM	39,866	38,152	1,714	4.3
FRANKLIN	10,180	9,777	403	4.0
FREETOWN	4,142	3,950	192	4.6
GARDNER	8,315	7,879	436	5.2
GAY HEAD	96	91	5	5.2
GEORGETOWN	3,076	2,987	89	2.9
GILL	752	747	5	0.7
GLOUCESTER	16,124	14,666	1,458	9.0
GOSHEN	417	407	10	2.4
GOSNOLD	26	26	0	0.0
GRAFTON	6,848	6,671	177	2.6
GRANBY	2,879	2,769	110	3.8
GRANVILLE	693	663	30	4.3
GREAT BARRINGTON	4,048	3,877	171	4.2
GREENFIELD	9,702	9,369	333	3.4
GROTON	3,862	3,792	70	1.8
GROVELAND	2,717	2,615	102	3.8
HADLEY	2,922	2,777	145	5.0
HALIFAX	2,922	2,783	139	4.8
HAMILTON	4,133	4,050	83	2.0
HAMPDEN	2,287	2,216	71	3.1
HANCOCK	338	331	7	2.1
HANOVER	6,079	5,916	163	2.7
HANSON	4,435	4,252	183	4.1
HARDWICK	927	863	64	6.9
HARVARD	3,443	3,378	65	1.9
HARWICH	4,349	4,112	237	5.4
HATFIELD	2,179	1,998	181	8.3
HAVERHILL	23,426	22,407	1,019	4.3
HAWLEY	189	187	2	1.1
HEATH	306	297	9	2.9
HINGHAM	10,066	9,881	185	1.8
HINSDALE	880	803	77	8.8
HOLBROOK	6,135	5,948	187	3.0
HOLDEN	7,584	7,458	126	1.7
HOLLAND	786	768	18	2.3
HOLLISTON	7,504	7,284	220	2.9
HOLYOKE	18,139	17,267	872	4.8
HOPEDALE	2,094	1,989	105	5.0
HOPKINTON	4,981	4,822	159	3.2
HUBBARDSTON	897	840	57	6.4
HUDSON	10,627	10,200	427	4.0
HULL	4,687	4,482	205	4.4
HUNTINGTON	928	889	39	4.2
IPSWICH	6,801	6,618	183	2.7
KINGSTON	4,290	4,110	180	4.2
LAKEVILLE	3,611	3,525	86	2.4
LANCASTER	3,189	3,111	78	2.4
LANESBOROUGH	1,636	1,551	85	5.2
LAWRENCE	29,204	27,112	2,092	7.2
LEE	3,005	2,848	157	5.2
LEICESTER	5,222	5,069	153	2.9
LENOX	3,337	3,247	90	2.7
LEOMINSTER	16,698	15,972	726	4.3
LEVERETT	1,103	1,048	55	5.0
LEXINGTON	16,605	16,394	211	1.3
LEYDEN	362	355	7	1.9
LINCOLN	3,494	3,442	52	1.5
LITTLETON	4,102	4,020	82	2.0
LONGMEADOW	7,790	7,686	104	1.3
LOWELL	52,089	49,605	2,484	4.8
LUDLOW	10,745	10,110	635	5.9
LUNENBURG	4,304	4,159	145	3.4
LYNN	40,039	38,207	1,832	4.6
LYNNFIELD	6,118	5,985	133	2.2

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
MALDEN	28,882	27,800	1,082	3.7
MANCHESTER	2,903	2,823	80	2.8
MANSFIELD	8,311	8,098	213	2.6
MARBLEHEAD	11,524	11,313	211	1.8
MARION	1,995	1,893	102	5.1
MARLBOROUGH	18,860	18,230	630	3.3
MARSHFIELD	11,788	11,405	383	3.2
MASHPEE	3,183	3,024	159	5.0
MATTAPOISETT	3,098	2,987	111	3.6
MAYNARD	5,790	5,563	227	3.9
MEDFIELD	5,570	5,458	112	2.0
MEDFORD	30,802	29,888	914	3.0
MEDWAY	5,153	4,981	172	3.3
MELROSE	15,823	15,384	441	2.8
MENDON	1,917	1,835	82	4.3
MERRIMAC	2,486	2,343	143	5.8
METHUEN	21,267	20,522	745	3.5
MIDDLEBOROUGH	8,319	7,858	461	5.5
MIDDLEFIELD	195	180	15	7.7
MIDDLETON	2,939	2,853	86	2.9
MILFORD	13,718	12,812	906	6.6
MILLBURY	6,377	6,137	240	3.8
MILLIS	4,026	3,881	145	3.6
MILLVILLE	979	884	95	9.7
MILTON	13,035	12,739	296	2.3
MONROE	67	60	7	10.4
MONSON	3,668	3,530	138	3.8
MONTAGUE	4,453	4,244	209	4.7
MONTEREY	610	594	16	2.6
MONTGOMERY	308	306	2	0.6
MOUNT WASHINGTON	77	75	2	2.6
NAHANT	2,220	2,140	80	3.6
NANTUCKET	3,793	3,659	134	3.5
NATICK	18,107	17,647	460	2.5
NEEDHAM	15,181	14,933	248	1.6
NEW ASHFORD	102	99	3	2.9
NEW BEDFORD	47,044	43,284	3,760	8.0
NEW BRAINTREE	309	294	15	4.9
NEW MARLBOROUGH	757	744	13	1.7
NEW SALEM	378	364	14	3.7
NEWBURY	2,683	2,571	112	4.2
NEWBURYPORT	8,864	8,477	387	4.4
NEWTON	47,912	46,965	947	2.0
NORFOLK	3,643	3,547	96	2.6
NORTH ADAMS	8,564	8,015	549	6.4
NORTH ANDOVER	11,247	10,986	261	2.3
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH	12,011	11,411	600	5.0
NORTH BROOKFIELD	2,190	2,109	81	3.7
NORTH READING	6,926	6,714	212	3.1
NORTHAMPTON	14,492	14,090	402	2.8
NORTHBOROUGH	6,405	6,243	162	2.5
NORTHBRIDGE	6,669	6,403	266	4.0
NORTHFIELD	1,372	1,339	33	2.4
NORTON	7,595	7,326	269	3.5
NORWELL	4,865	4,740	125	2.6
NORWOOD	16,957	16,285	672	4.0
OAK BLUFFS	1,066	990	76	7.1
OAKHAM	514	499	15	2.9
ORANGE	2,725	2,573	152	5.6
ORLEANS	2,769	2,627	142	5.1
OTIS	476	434	42	8.8
OXFORD	6,523	6,239	284	4.4
PALMER	6,338	6,096	242	3.8
PAXTON	2,194	2,158	36	1.6
PEABODY	27,409	26,633	776	2.8
PELHAM	908	870	38	4.2
PEMBROKE	7,429	7,184	245	3.3
PEPPERELL	5,234	5,093	141	2.7
PERU	399	379	20	5.0
PETERSHAM	424	415	9	2.1
PHILLIPSTON	485	439	46	9.5
PITTSFIELD	24,710	23,378	1,332	5.4
PLAINFIELD	219	199	20	9.1
PLAINVILLE	3,259	2,949	310	9.5
PLYMOUTH	19,257	18,310	947	4.9
PLYMPTON	1,141	1,095	46	4.0
PRINCETON	1,682	1,652	30	1.8
PROVINCETOWN	2,871	1,839	1,032	35.9
QUINCY	46,672	45,018	1,654	3.5

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
RANDOLPH	16,370	15,890	480	2.9
RAYNHAM	5,202	4,999	203	3.9
READING	13,022	12,755	267	2.1
REHOBOTH	4,217	3,951	266	6.3
REVERE	22,843	21,942	901	3.9
RICHMOND	867	834	33	3.8
ROCHESTER	1,919	1,866	53	2.8
ROCKLAND	7,862	7,581	281	3.6
ROCKPORT	3,418	3,153	265	7.8
ROWE	188	177	11	5.9
ROWLEY	2,692	2,598	94	3.5
ROYALSTON	428	412	16	3.7
RUSSELL	786	764	22	2.8
RUTLAND	2,451	2,382	69	2.8
SALEM	22,146	21,424	722	3.3
SALISBURY	3,592	3,333	259	7.2
SANDISFIELD	400	389	11	2.8
SANDWICH	6,309	6,074	235	3.7
SAUGUS	14,582	14,116	466	3.2
SAVOY	421	349	72	17.1
SCITUATE	9,006	8,816	190	2.1
SEEKONK	6,293	6,121	172	2.7
SHARON	8,227	8,065	162	2.0
SHEFFIELD	1,591	1,541	50	3.1
SHELBURNE	1,057	982	75	7.1
SHERBORN	2,182	2,143	39	1.8
SHIRLEY	2,802	2,714	88	3.1
SHREWSBURY	12,950	12,649	301	2.3
SHUTESBURY	882	836	46	5.2
SOMERSET	9,735	9,325	410	4.2
SOMERVILLE	40,315	39,103	1,212	3.0
SOUTH HADLEY	8,851	8,598	253	2.9
SOUTHAMPTON	2,420	2,339	81	3.3
SOUTHBOROUGH	3,643	3,554	89	2.4
SOUTHBRIDGE	7,544	7,077	467	6.2
SOUTHWICK	4,151	4,029	122	2.9
SPENCER	6,049	5,817	232	3.8
SPRINGFIELD	68,263	65,113	3,150	4.6
STERLING	3,635	3,548	87	2.4
STOCKBRIDGE	1,297	1,265	32	2.5
STONEHAM	12,806	12,483	323	2.5
STOUGHTON	15,040	14,582	458	3.0
STOW	3,160	3,087	73	2.3
STURBRIDGE	3,425	3,287	138	4.0
SUDBURY	7,610	7,457	153	2.0
SUNDERLAND	2,269	2,146	123	5.4
SUTTON	3,376	3,287	89	2.6
SWAMPSCOTT	7,743	7,523	220	2.8
SWANSEA	8,139	7,781	358	4.4
TAUNTON	23,216	21,831	1,385	6.0
TEMPLETON	2,588	2,423	165	6.4
TEWKSBURY	14,880	14,363	517	3.5
TISBURY	1,873	1,782	91	4.9
TOLLAND	135	131	4	3.0
TOPSFIELD	3,048	2,991	57	1.9
TOWNSEND	4,469	4,377	92	2.1
TRURO	672	550	122	18.2
TYNGSBOROUGH	4,703	4,555	148	3.1
TYRINGHAM	228	225	3	1.3
UPTON	2,372	2,275	97	4.1
UXBRIDGE	4,781	4,577	204	4.3
WAKEFIELD	14,385	13,915	470	3.3
WALES	601	576	25	4.2
WALPOLE	10,834	10,466	368	3.4
WALTHAM	33,757	32,832	925	2.7
WARE	3,767	3,545	222	5.9
WAREHAM	9,062	8,423	639	7.1
WARREN	1,460	1,373	87	6.0
WARWICK	219	211	8	3.7
WASHINGTON	297	285	12	4.0
WATERTOWN	20,155	19,668	487	2.4
WAYLAND	6,998	6,883	115	1.6
WEBSTER	7,823	7,409	414	5.3
WELLESLEY	14,003	13,824	179	1.3
WELLFLEET	1,147	1,010	137	11.9
WENDELL	376	350	26	6.9
WENHAM	2,138	2,104	34	1.6
WEST BOYLSTON	3,364	3,285	79	2.3
WEST BRIDGEWATER	3,420	3,287	133	3.9

NOTE: By place of residence, not comparable to nonagricultural wage and salary employment

JANUARY 1988 ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
WEST BROOKFIELD	1,341	1,280	61	4.5
WEST NEWBURY	1,621	1,570	51	3.1
WEST SPRINGFIELD	14,747	14,294	453	3.1
WEST STOCKBRIDGE	769	736	33	4.3
WEST TISBURY	696	690	6	0.9
WESTBOROUGH	7,901	7,742	159	2.0
WESTFIELD	18,617	17,990	627	3.4
WESTFORD	8,804	8,571	233	2.6
WESTHAMPTON	752	733	19	2.5
WESTMINSTER	2,696	2,563	133	4.9
WESTON	5,711	5,657	54	0.9
WESTPORT	7,014	6,616	398	5.7
WESTWOOD	6,949	6,829	120	1.7
WEYMOUTH	30,635	29,676	959	3.1
WHATELY	928	885	43	4.6
WHITMAN	7,165	6,884	281	3.9
WILBRAHAM	6,405	6,278	127	2.0
WILLIAMSBURG	1,405	1,358	47	3.3
WILLIAMSTOWN	4,205	4,145	60	1.4
WILMINGTON	9,465	9,163	302	3.2
WINCHENDON	3,220	3,047	173	5.4
WINCHESTER	10,947	10,727	220	2.0
WINDSOR	360	315	45	12.5
WINTHROP	10,767	10,461	306	2.8
WOBURN	22,224	21,619	605	2.7
WORCESTER	80,942	77,814	3,128	3.9
WORTHINGTON	594	568	26	4.4
WRENTHAM	3,987	3,796	191	4.8
YARMOUTH	8,864	8,341	523	5.9

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	INITIAL CLAIMS			CONTINUED CLAIMS[2]		
	JAN 88	DEC 87	JAN 87	JAN 88	DEC 87	JAN 87
MASSACHUSETTS	6,888	8,290	6,288	69,518	46,496	63,391
MAJOR LABOR AREAS						
BOSTON PMSA	3,263	2,698	2,740	26,078	18,771	24,200
BROCKTON PMSA	270	190	284	2,120	1,337	2,066
FALL RIVER PMSA[3]	676	581	512	4,117	2,357	4,137
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER MSA	178	123	151	1,196	753	1,405
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL PMSA[4]	486	314	396	3,616	2,779	3,640
LOWELL PMSA[4]	439	225	251	2,675	1,728	3,016
NEW BEDFORD MSA	572	453	540	3,986	2,088	4,055
PITTSFIELD MSA	161	102	144	1,297	920	1,117
SPRINFIELD MSA	373	323	443	3,144	2,191	3,085
SALEM-GLOUCESTER PMSA	807	532	656	5,368	3,555	5,488
WORCESTER MSA	524	535	502	4,405	2,736	4,094
OTHER LABOR AREAS						
AMHERST LMA	37	21	40	235	121	241
ATHOL LMA	60	46	32	411	285	350
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	482	338	338	4,110	2,882	3,766
BALANCE OF WESTERN MA EA	36	23	32	226	126	204
DUKES COUNTY LMA	26	16	21	208	124	213
GARDNER LMA	85	33	67	455	259	582
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	23	11	14	195	114	171
GREENFIELD LMA	80	53	66	594	324	519
NANTUCKET LMA	14	3	9	79	37	78
NORTH ADAMS LMA	96	58	81	675	429	710
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	66	38	40	419	282	399
TAUNTON LMA	242	92	134	1,066	431	938
WARE LMA	43	33	25	316	192	264

1 - Week that includes the 12th
2 - Includes regular compensation not extended compensation
3 - Includes Rhode Island residents of PMSA
4 - Includes New Hampshire residents of PMSA

EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment. Includes all workers who worked full or part-time or who received vacation pay, holiday pay or sick leave pay directly from the employer for the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Excluded are workers in most agricultural industries as well as those in forestry, fisheries and international government. Also excluded are self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households.

Benchmark. A reasonably complete count of employment at a specified period of time, usually the first quarter of the year. The principal sources of benchmark data for the CES Program are tabulations of employment reported by establishments covered by the Massachusetts Employment Security Law and by Federal government agencies covered by Federal U.I. Law. These principal sources are supplemented for those nonagricultural jobs not covered by U.I. (e.g., religious, students employed by the institution attended).

Establishment. An establishment is an economic unit which produces goods or services, generally at a single physical location, and is engaged in only one type of activity.

Labor Force. The sum of the employed and unemployed living in the area (total employment plus total unemployment).

Total Employment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did any work at all, in any area, for pay or profit during the week of the month including the 12th or who had a job from which they were temporarily absent because of illness, vacation, labor dispute or other reasons which does not reflect a shortage of work.

Total Unemployment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did no work at all, in any area, during the week of the month including the 12th, but who were looking for work or awaiting recall from layoff or beginning a new job within the next 30 days.

Unemployment Rate. Unemployment expressed as a percent of the labor force.

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Quarterly Data Shows Modest Growth

The table below presents statewide average quarterly employment levels for each major industrial sector for the first quarters of 1986, 1987, and 1988. Job growth between the first quarters of 1987 and 1988 was 2.2 percent, showing a slight improvement from the 2.0 percent growth rate for the same period the previous year. By industry, employment growth remained strong in the non-manufacturing industries. Between the first quarters of 1987 and 1988, job levels in the services sector grew at a rate of 4.1 percent, a faster pace than experienced in the previous year when services employment increased by 3.2 percent. The rate of annual job growth in the trade sector declined from 2.4 percent in the first quarter of 1987 to a modest 1.3 percent during the first quarter of 1988.

The construction sector had the highest annual growth rate with 12 percent, representing 14,200 new jobs since first quarter 1987. Finance was second with 6.2 percent. Manufacturing declines abated slightly in the first quarter of 1988, with job levels dropping by 2.7 percent, as compared to declines of 3.3 percent experienced between the first quarters of 1986 and 1987.

Each of the state's major labor market areas showed employment growth between the first quarters of 1987 and 1988. Labor areas that grew at a faster rate than the state include the Worcester MSA (4.6 percent), the Springfield MSA (3.2 percent) and the New Bedford MSA (2.8 percent). Employment expansion in the Boston PMSA paralleled the state's with an annual growth rate of 2.3 percent from the first quarter of 1987 to the first quarter of 1988. The state's slower growing labor areas, were the Fitchburg - Leominster MSA and the Lowell PMSA which grew by 1.0 percent and 1.6 percent respectively.

Massachusetts Average Quarterly Employment
By Industry Sector
First Quarter 1986, 1987, 1988

	1986	1987	1988	1987 Growth Rate	1988 Growth Rate
Total	2919.4	2977.5	3044.2	2.0	2.2
Mfg.	622.2	602.0	585.7	-3.3	-2.7
Construc.	103.8	117.9	132.1	13.6	12.0
Trans.	124.0	126.1	129.1	1.7	2.4
Trade	685.0	701.6	710.5	2.4	1.3
Finance	195.2	210.1	223.1	7.6	6.2
Service	799.1	824.8	858.7	3.2	4.1
Gov't.	388.7	393.4	403.4	1.2	2.5

State's Employment Shows Monthly Boost

The Commonwealth's economy continued to generate new jobs this month with an increase in employment of 28,800 since February 1988. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment reached 3,067,800. Each of the major industry sectors showed growth in March 1988.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MASSACHUSETTS

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				Prior Mo.		Year Ago	
	MAR 1988	FEB 1988	MAR 1987	#	%	#	%
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	3067.8	3039.0	2996.7	28.8	0.9	71.1	2.4
Manufacturing	585.2	584.8	601.3	0.4	0.1	-16.1	-2.7
Durable Goods	388.8	388.1	400.1	0.7	0.2	-11.3	-2.8
Lumber & Furniture	13.6	13.4	13.3	0.2	1.5	0.3	2.3
Stone,Clay & Glass	10.3	10.2	10.3	0.1	1.0	0.0	****
Primary Metals	15.5	15.5	15.8	0.0	****	-0.3	-1.9
Fabricated Metals	40.6	40.5	42.2	0.1	0.2	-1.6	-3.8
Cutlery,Hand tools,Hardware	8.7	8.6	9.4	0.1	1.2	-0.7	-7.4
Machinery, except electrical	102.3	102.3	103.9	0.0	****	-1.6	-1.5
Metalworking machinery	12.7	12.9	12.9	-0.2	-1.6	-0.2	-1.6
Special industry machinery	10.9	10.9	12.1	0.0	****	-1.2	-9.9
* Office Computing, & Accounting Machines	57.8	57.5	56.1	0.3	0.5	1.7	3.0
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	104.5	104.3	105.2	0.2	0.2	-0.7	-0.7
Communications equipment	40.6	40.6	40.9	0.0	****	-0.3	-0.7
Electronic components	43.1	42.9	41.5	0.2	0.5	1.6	3.9
Transportation equipment	30.6	30.7	36.6	-0.1	-0.3	-6.0	-16.4
Instruments	52.5	52.5	54.0	0.0	****	-1.5	-2.8
Measuring & Control devices	17.4	17.5	19.7	-0.1	-0.6	-2.3	-11.7
Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	18.9	18.7	18.8	0.2	1.1	0.1	0.5
Jewelry	7.1	7.1	7.2	0.0	****	-0.1	-1.4
Nondurable Goods	196.4	196.7	201.2	-0.3	-0.2	-4.8	-2.4
Food & kindred products	19.5	19.9	21.0	-0.4	-2.0	-1.5	-7.1
Textile mill products	16.5	16.6	17.5	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	-5.7
Apparel	24.2	24.3	26.0	-0.1	-0.4	-1.8	-6.9
Mens & Boys suits,coats & furnishings	6.5	6.5	6.8	0.0	****	-0.3	-4.4
Paper & allied products	24.2	24.2	24.5	0.0	****	-0.3	-1.2
Printing & Publishing	56.2	56.0	55.0	0.2	0.4	1.2	2.2
Chemicals	17.2	17.1	17.4	0.1	0.6	-0.2	-1.1
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	28.3	28.4	29.8	-0.1	-0.4	-1.5	-5.0
Miscellaneous Plastic products	21.7	21.8	22.7	-0.1	-0.5	-1.0	-4.4
Leather & Leather products	8.6	8.7	8.9	-0.1	-1.1	-0.3	-3.4
Footwear, except rubber	4.2	4.2	4.5	0.0	****	-0.3	-6.7
Mining	1.7	1.6	1.5	0.1	6.3	0.2	13.3
Construction	134.5	129.4	119.2	5.1	3.9	15.3	12.8
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	129.5	129.1	126.8	0.4	0.3	2.7	2.1
Wholesale & Retail trade	713.0	707.0	702.6	6.0	0.8	10.4	1.5
Wholesale Trade	172.2	171.2	167.1	1.0	0.6	5.1	3.1
Retail Trade	540.8	535.8	535.5	5.0	0.9	5.3	1.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	223.9	222.9	211.6	1.0	0.4	12.3	5.8
Banking	65.3	65.2	63.2	0.1	0.2	2.1	3.3
Services	874	860.0	837.0	12.4	1.4	35.4	4.2
Health Services	249.2	247.4	242.3	1.8	0.7	6.9	2.8
Educational Services	122.6	119.5	120.1	3.1	2.6	2.5	2.1
Government	407.6	404.2	396.7	3.4	0.8	10.9	2.7
Federal	63.6	62.8	60.8	0.8	1.3	2.8	4.6
U.S. Postal Service	27.4	27.0	25.8	0.4	1.5	1.6	6.2
State	102.3	101.3	98.5	1.0	1.0	3.8	3.9
Educational services	28.1	27.2	27.5	0.9	3.3	0.6	2.2
Local	241.7	240.1	237.4	1.6	0.7	4.3	1.8
Educational services	139.0	137.8	136.3	1.2	0.9	2.7	2.0
Other Local	102.7	102.3	101.1	0.4	0.4	1.6	1.6
* High Technology Manufacturing	239.3	238.9	240.2	0.4	0.2	-0.9	-0.4
* High Technology Nonmanufacturing	88.8	88.0	82.4	0.8	0.9	6.4	7.8

NOTE: By place of work, not comparable to labor force employment statistics
* - Not currently validated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
BOSTON PMSA

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				Prior Mo.		Year Ago	
	MAR 1988	FEB 1988	MAR 1987	#	%	#	%
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	1734.0	1719.1	1693.1	14.9	0.9	40.9	2.4
Manufacturing	275.2	275.1	282.6	0.1	****	-7.4	-2.6
Durable Goods	195.4	195.4	202.0	0.0	****	-6.6	-3.3
Primary Metals	3.4	3.5	3.2	-0.1	-2.9	0.2	6.3
Fabricated Metals	15.6	15.7	16.6	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	-6.0
Machinery, except electrical	47.9	48.0	49.3	-0.1	-0.2	-1.4	-2.8
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	59.6	59.6	58.3	0.0	****	1.3	2.2
Transportation equipment	18.4	18.5	23.9	-0.1	-0.5	-5.5	-23.0
Instruments	39.2	39.0	39.6	0.2	0.5	-0.4	-1.0
Nondurable Goods	79.8	79.7	80.6	0.1	0.1	-0.8	-1.0
Food & kindred products	11.2	11.4	11.3	-0.2	-1.8	-0.1	-0.9
Textile mill products	2.5	2.4	2.4	0.1	4.2	0.1	4.2
Apparel	6.4	6.3	6.7	0.1	1.6	-0.3	-4.5
Paper & allied products	6.6	6.6	7.3	0.0	****	-0.7	-9.6
Printing & Publishing	33.5	33.3	33.2	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.9
Chemicals	8.2	8.2	8.1	0.0	****	0.1	1.2
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	8.3	8.4	8.5	-0.1	-1.2	-0.2	-2.4
Leather & Leather products	2.3	2.4	2.5	-0.1	-4.2	-0.2	-8.0
Mining	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.0	****	0.1	12.5
Construction	67.3	65.2	60.9	2.1	3.2	6.4	10.5
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	75.3	75.0	74.7	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.8
Wholesale & Retail trade	383.3	380.9	380.1	2.4	0.6	3.2	0.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	154.6	153.6	146.1	1.0	0.7	8.5	5.8
Banking	44.2	44.1	41.0	0.1	0.2	3.2	7.8
Insurance	36.3	36.3	37.0	0.0	****	-0.7	-1.9
Services	568.3	559.9	548.1	8.4	1.5	20.2	3.7
Health Services	141.4	140.2	138.1	1.2	0.9	3.3	2.4
Educational Services	91.8	87.7	92.0	4.1	4.7	-0.2	-0.2
Government	209.1	208.5	199.8	0.6	0.3	9.3	4.7
Federal	38.7	38.4	37.2	0.3	0.8	1.5	4.0
U.S. Postal Service	15.3	15.2	14.5	0.1	0.7	0.8	5.5
Federal Hospitals	4.8	4.9	4.9	-0.1	-2.0	-0.1	-2.0
State	50.1	50.1	48.3	0.0	****	1.8	3.7
State Hospitals	5.0	5.0	4.7	0.0	****	0.3	6.4
Educational services	8.7	8.7	8.6	0.0	****	0.1	1.2
Local	120.3	120.0	114.3	0.3	0.3	6.0	5.2

NOTE: By place of work, not comparable to labor force employment statistics

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				Prior Mo.		Year Ago	
	MAR 1988	FEB 1988	MAR 1987	#	%	#	%
SPRINGFIELD MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	241.7	239.3	234.2	2.4	1.0	7.5	3.2
Manufacturing	51.3	51.0	50.4	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.8
Durable Goods	26.5	26.2	25.5	0.3	1.1	1.0	3.9
Fabricated Metals	7.1	7.0	6.8	0.1	1.4	0.3	4.4
Machinery, except electrical	6.5	6.5	6.1	0.0	****	0.4	6.6
Nondurable Goods	24.8	24.8	24.9	0.0	****	-0.1	-0.4
Textile mill products	1.5	1.5	1.7	0.0	****	-0.2	-11.8
Apparel	1.0	0.9	1.1	0.1	11.1	-0.1	-9.1
Paper & allied products	8.0	8.0	7.6	0.0	****	0.4	5.3
Printing & Publishing	6.2	6.2	6.3	0.0	****	-0.1	-1.6
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	****	0.0	****
Construction	9.0	8.8	8.4	0.2	2.3	0.6	7.1
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	10.0	9.9	9.7	0.1	1.0	0.3	3.1
Wholesale & Retail trade	56.7	56.4	54.4	0.3	0.5	2.3	4.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	16.6	16.5	15.9	0.1	0.6	0.7	4.4
Services	59.3	58.2	57.1	1.1	1.9	2.2	3.9
Government	38.7	38.4	38.2	0.3	0.8	0.5	1.3
Federal	6.3	6.2	6.0	0.1	1.6	0.3	5.0
State	8.6	8.6	8.4	0.0	****	0.2	2.4
Local	23.8	23.6	23.8	0.2	0.8	0.0	****
WORCESTER MSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	203.4	202.1	194.6	1.3	0.6	8.8	4.5
Manufacturing	46.4	46.3	45.6	0.1	0.2	0.8	1.8
Durable Goods	31.1	31.0	30.4	0.1	0.3	0.7	2.3
Primary Metals	2.2	2.2	2.1	0.0	****	0.1	4.8
Fabricated Metals	6.9	6.8	6.8	0.1	1.5	0.1	1.5
Machinery, except electrical	10.1	10.2	10.2	-0.1	-1.0	-0.1	-1.0
Nondurable Goods	15.3	15.3	15.2	0.0	****	0.1	0.7
Textile mill products	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.0	****	-0.1	-3.6
Leather & Leather products	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.0	****	0.0	****
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	****	0.0	****
Construction	8.9	8.6	8.1	0.3	3.5	0.8	9.9
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	8.5	8.5	8.3	0.0	****	0.2	2.4
Wholesale & Retail trade	47.4	47.3	46.6	0.1	0.2	0.8	1.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	14.7	14.6	13.1	0.1	0.7	1.6	12.2
Services	51.5	51.0	48.8	0.5	1.0	2.7	5.5
Government	25.9	25.7	24.0	0.2	0.8	1.9	7.9

NOTE: By place of work, not comparable to labor force employment statistics

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT			CHANGE			
				Prior Mo.		Year Ago	
	MAR 1988	FEB 1988	MAR 1987	#	%	#	%
BROCKTON PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	73.2	72.3	71.3	0.9	1.2	1.9	2.7
Manufacturing	11.5	11.2	11.4	0.3	2.7	0.1	0.9
Durable Goods	6.1	5.9	6.1	0.2	3.4	0.0	****
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	1.3	1.3	1.4	0.0	****	-0.1	-7.1
Nondurable Goods	5.4	5.3	5.3	0.1	1.9	0.1	1.9
Construction	3.7	3.5	3.5	0.2	5.7	0.2	5.7
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	5.1	5.1	5.0	0.0	****	0.1	2.0
Wholesale & Retail trade	22.6	22.4	21.4	0.2	0.9	1.2	5.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.1	3.1	3.1	0.0	****	0.0	****
Services	15.5	15.3	15.2	0.2	1.3	0.3	2.0
Government	11.7	11.7	11.7	0.0	****	0.0	****
Federal	3.0	3.0	2.8	0.0	****	0.2	7.1
State	2.5	2.5	2.4	0.0	****	0.1	4.2
Local	6.2	6.2	6.5	0.0	****	-0.3	-4.6
LAWRENCE - HAVERHILL MASS. - N.H. PMSA							
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	163.0	162.0	159.4	1.0	0.6	3.6	2.3
Manufacturing	50.2	50.5	51.2	-0.3	-0.6	-1.0	-2.0
Durable Goods	36.8	37.0	37.6	-0.2	-0.5	-0.8	-2.1
Nondurable Goods	13.4	13.5	13.6	-0.1	-0.7	-0.2	-1.5
Leather & Leather products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	****	0.0	****
Construction	7.5	7.4	7.5	0.1	1.4	0.0	****
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	6.7	6.6	6.7	0.1	1.5	0.0	****
Wholesale & Retail trade	36.6	36.2	35.3	0.4	1.1	1.3	3.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	6.4	6.4	6.0	0.0	****	0.4	6.7
Services	33.6	33.3	31.8	0.3	0.9	1.8	5.7
Government	22.0	21.6	20.9	0.4	1.9	1.1	5.3

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